

AMERICORPS

2003 QUICK FACTS

- Since 1994, GO SERV has disseminated over \$200 million in AmeriCorps funding.
- Over 40,000 opportunities have been created for AmeriCorps members in California since 1994.
- GO SERV has provided AmeriCorps grant funding to over 400 programs since 1994.
- To date
 AmeriCorps
 members have
 qualified for
 education
 awards, similar
 to the GI Bill,
 totaling more
 than
 \$89,000,000.

Through AmeriCorps, Californians commit a year of their life to serving their communities. This year, GO SERV is providing \$13 million in grants to 26 local programs that support over 2,400 AmeriCorps members. GO SERV will also be providing additional grants to add dozens of new programs and thousands of new service opportunities. AmeriCorps members serve California in five key areas:

Education

Members tutor and mentor thousands of California students in underperforming schools, afterschool programs, libraries, and work with school staff to implement research-based teaching methods. AmeriCorps programs expose college students and other community members to the classroom environment and teaching profession through tutoring in reading, math, and science.

Public Safety

Members visit homes and serve in neighborhood-based family resource centers to prevent child abuse and neglect, support the work of governmental public safety agencies, serve in non-governmental relief organizations preparing for and responding to disasters and emergencies including acts of terrorism, and mentor youthful offenders to prevent recidivism.

Environment

AmeriCorps members assess and restore critical habitat for fish and wildlife, provide public access by improving trails and other facilities both urban and rural, and provide recycling and other environmental education.

Health and Human Needs

Members help foster youth developing independent living skills in preparation for emancipation, provide health services and education in community clinics, churches, and schools, serve the homeless including veterans, and build affordable housing.

Volunteer Generation and Capacity Building

Members recruit and supervise volunteers and help to expand the services and capacity of faith and secular community organizations.

To find out about an AmeriCorps program in your area, visit the GO SERV website at http://www.goserv.ca.gov or call GO SERV at 916/323-7646.

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